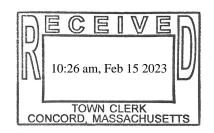
250th ART, LITERATURE and MUSIC SUBCOMMITTEE



JANUARY 11, 2023 MINUTES

Pursuant to notice duly given, the Subcommittee met at the Concord Free Public Library at 26 Main Street, Concord, Ma at 9:30 am on January 11, 2023. ATTENDEES:

Present for the meeting were the following Committee members: Margot Kimball, Sherry Litwack, Allison Shilling, Priscilla Stevens, Carole Wayland, Jerry Wedge, Kate Yoder, Kate James, Jan Turnquist, Tammy Rose, Sandy Harper, Jane Fisher, Andrea Roessle, Maura Clarke and Di Clymer, C Thomas Swaim attended as Secretary. Absent were Anke Voss, Sam Williams, and Lisa Evans. Attending as a guest was Mark Bartevyan.

MINUTES:

On motion duly made and seconded, with no amendments adopted at the meeting, the Minutes of the December 14, 2022 Subcommittee meeting were unanimously approved. CHAIRPERSON REPORT:

- (A) A 2025 calendar was distributed for reference.
- (B) Di introduced Maura Clarke who has agreed to lead the effort to get persons from Concord in the middle age range of the 40s to 60s to participate in the committees. This is a group perceived to be be very busy with family and work but highly capable and if involved would help make the Celebration more successful.
- (C) A Celebration logo is under development, the script of which will be of a general nature so that all ideas and presentations may fall comfortably within it.
- (D) An idea had been passed on to Di suggesting that historic, but currently occupied homes, be identified with a special wreath and/ or window candle.

ORGANIZATIONS IDEAS/PLANNING:

The Umbrella Arts Center(Wedge)

A grant application has been submitted to support the construction of an outdoor performance facility. While there is general support for the idea, problems of location, costs, size, parking and traffic were noted. The Executive Committee should decide whether the idea should be pursued.

CFPL(Litwack)

An invitation has been drafted to invite Amanda Gorman to make a presentation as part of the Celebration. An honorarium has not been established.

Concord Conservatory of Music(Yoder)

A music piece will be commissioned to highlight the Revolution, accompanied by a speaker(s). A date of March 7, 2025 was proposed for the presentation.

Transcendental Concord(Rose)

Will continue to develop plans for videos and other technical presentations. Di suggested she work in collaboration with other members of the Subcommittee such as the Orchard House.

Concord Museum(Shilling)

There will be three exhibits beginning in 2025 and extending thru 2026 developed around the theme "Whose Revolution". There will be speakers throughout the period consistent with the theme. The speakers and exhibits will focus on the role of indigenous peoples in past events of the revolutionary period.

Orchard House(Turnquist)

Recommended highlighting stories of people at the time, for example, treatment of American Indians at Deer Island or treatment of Louisa May Alcott when President Cleveland visited Concord.

Concord Visitors Center(Harper)

Tour guides report visitors ask for stories about Concord's history. She will collaborate with Rose and Turnquist.

Concord Women's Chorus(Fisher)

An earlier commissioned work "Concord Fragments" is one piece that might be included in a concert in 2025. If money is made available possibly there could be a commission to develop a program for a large group including choruses of adults and children and orchestras.

Concord Players(Roessler)

Would like to present a play during the period May 2-17, 2025.

Art for All(Kimball)

A mural for the prison wall will not be ready for the Celebration. She hopes to work with the schools to create a mural by the students in 2024. The location to display it is yet to be determined.

Concord Art(James)

Noted an example of a potential collaboration with students referring to the MassArt project where students created illustrations for unmarked graves and worked with the library to research records on all the individuals.

51 Walden(Wayland)

If approved there is a person on the Executive Committee who could contact Yo Yo Ma. She also noted that WGBH and other TV networks often welcome the opportunity to do stories on local events.

The next meeting of the Subcommittee will be held at the library on Wednesday February 8, 2023.

The meeting was closed at 10:40 am.

Respectfully Submitted

Thomas Swaim, Secretary.

Opproved, 2/8/23